DOUBLEDAY TO PUBLISH A MEMOIR BY NANCY PELOSI SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN SUMMER 2008

July 19, 2007, New York, NY—Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House of Representatives, the highest-ranking woman government official in United States history, will publish a memoir with Doubleday, it was announced today by Stephen Rubin, President and Publisher, Doubleday Broadway Publishing Group.

Rubin acquired North American rights for the untitled work from Norman Brokaw, Chairman of the William Morris Agency, Jennifer Rudolph Walsh, Executive Vice President and Co-Head of the William Morris Agency's Worldwide Literary Department and Mel Berger, Senior Vice President of William Morris. The book will be edited by senior editor Phyllis Grann.

The memoir will be published in the summer of 2008 and Pelosi's collaborator is yet to be determined. It will focus on the Speaker's remarkable life both personally and professionally.

"When Nancy Pelosi, surrounded by her six grandchildren, took the gavel as the first female Speaker of the House in January 2007, it was an historic moment in our nation's history," Rubin said. "She stood there as wife, mother, grandmother and political leader; her ascension and remarkable career have put the lie to the notion that those roles are in any way in conflict. How she managed to serve her country without compromising her family is a story both fascinating and inspirational, and Doubleday is proud to be publishing it."

"When I first met Nancy Pelosi twenty years ago, I could tell she was destined to make history. I told her to start taking notes," said Brokaw. "We are honored to be representing the first female Speaker of the House."

"From my parents' home in Baltimore to representing San Francisco in the Congress, my life has been devoted to family and public service. I look forward to telling my story for my grandchildren and in recognition of the contributions of all women across America," said Speaker Pelosi.

Since 1987, Nancy Pelosi has represented California's Eighth District in the House of Representatives. She was overwhelmingly elected by her colleagues in the fall of 2002 as Democratic Leader of the House of Representatives. In January, 2007, she was elected Speaker of the House.

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